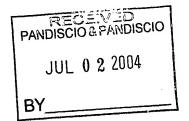


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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
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RESPONSE TO OUTSTANDING NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED

This is in response to the outstanding NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED, mailed June 30, 2004, in connection with the above-identified patent application. This Notice called on Applicants to provide a signed Declaration for the case.

We believe that the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED was issued in error.

This is a divisional patent application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b). A signed Declaration was filed in the parent U.S. patent application and a copy of that signed Declaration was included in the filing papers for the present child patent application. Therefore, no further Declaration is believed to be required for the present child patent application.

More particularly, Applicants note the Signed Declaration was filed in the parent patent application in a RESPONSE TO OUTSTANDING NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED, including a signed DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY document listing the names of each of the inventors, specifically identifying the application by serial number and filing date, and signed by the inventors, Swee Hin Teoh, Dietmar Werner Hutmacher, Kim Cheng Tan, Kock Fye Tam, and Iwan Zein. A copy of this document from the parent patent application was submitted with the above-identified child patent application at the time of filing the child patent application on April 20, 2004.

A duplicate copy of the RESPONSE TO OUTSTANDING NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED filed on February 20, 2002 is enclosed for the convenience of the Patent and Trademark Office.

In the event that any additional fees may be required to be paid in connection with this submission, please charge the same, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-0221.

Respectfully submitted,

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